

Amendment to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended): A ~~web-site~~system provided in a communication network comprising:

a data manager, for storing information to be provided across said communication network;

a transmission source determiner, for ascertaining the type of a transmission source from which an access request is received; and

a response unit, for (a) acquiring, from said data manager, information ~~that is correlated~~correlating with said type of ~~said transmission source~~ obtained in accordance with the determination made by said transmission source determiner, and for (b) generating and returning a response ~~that is consonant with said type of said transmission source of said access request,~~

wherein said data manager stores main information and metadata for describing said main information; ~~for which access is limited, and metadata, which is information describing said main information, and~~

wherein, as the result of the determination by said transmission source determiner, when said transmission source ~~of said access request~~ has no right of access for said main information, said response unit obtains said metadata ~~that is then used to generate~~for generating a metadata response.

2. (Currently Amended): The ~~web-site~~system according to claim 1, wherein, when said transmission source ~~of said access request identified by said transmission source determiner~~ is ~~comprises~~ a robot in a robot search engine that is launched across said communication network, said response unit generates ~~a response, as metadata, that includes a keyword concerning said main information~~ the metadata response, and wherein the metadata response comprises a keyword concerning said main information.

3. (Currently Amended): The ~~web-site~~system according to claim 2, wherein said transmission source determiner includes a user agent register, wherein ~~in which said robot, of said robot search engine, which is launched across said communication network, and a user agent header that said robot adds to said access request are registered as~~

~~correlating with each other, said robot and a user agent header that said robot adds to said access request are registered in said user agent register as correlating with each other; and wherein when said user agent header is registered in said user agent register, said transmission source determiner determines said transmission source to be said robot. When the contents of said user agent header added to said access request that is received are registered in said user agent register, said transmission source determiner determines said transmission source of said access request to be said robot of said robot search engine.~~

4. The ~~web site~~system according to claim 1, wherein said transmission source determiner includes a user register ~~in which~~; ~~wherein~~ each access right of a user for said main information is registered in the user register; ~~Wherein when a user ID, provided as cookie information, together with said access request that is and said access request are received, is and~~ registered in said user register, said transmission source determiner notifies said response unit of ~~the a~~ range of said access rights of said user ~~that is indicated in said user register. In accordance with said range of said access rights of said user, which is received from said transmission source determiner;~~ and wherein said response unit generates a metadata response, ~~as metadata, that includes comprising~~ text data for describing the contents of said main information ~~that is requested by said access request, in accordance with said range.~~

5. (Currently Amended): A ~~web site~~system established in a communication network comprising:

a data manager, for storing ~~subscription~~subscriber information to be provided across said communication network;

a transmission source determiner, for determining whether a user who is the transmission source of an access request has paid a fee for said ~~subscription~~subscriber information; and

a response unit, for (a) transmitting, in accordance with the determination made by said transmission source determiner, said ~~subscription~~subscriber information to a user who has paid said fee for said ~~subscription~~subscriber information, and (b) instead

~~of said subscription information, transmitting at no cost a description of said subscription subscriber information to a user who has not paid said fee.~~

6. (Currently Amended): The system according to claim 5 further comprising:

~~An an~~ information communication terminal, for accessing an information site on a communication network, and for obtaining information available at said information site; ~~whereto a request, together with;~~ wherein a request for said information and identification information for said information communication terminal, is transmitted to acquire said information; ~~and whereat, wherein~~ when said information ~~that is requested~~ falls in an access right range ~~that, for said information communication terminal, that~~ is set in accordance with said identification information, said information is provided by said information site; ~~;~~ and wherein when said information ~~that is requested~~ does not fall in said access right range, metadata, ~~which is information describing said information available at said information site,~~ for describing said information is provided.

7. (Currently Amended): ~~The information communication terminal~~system according to claim 6, wherein said metadata obtained from said information site includes text data for explaining ~~the contents of said information that is requested.~~

8. (Currently Amended): A robot search engine response system comprising:
a transmission source determiner, for analyzing an access request received by a web server provided on a communication network, and for identifying said transmission source of said access request; and

a response unit, ~~for transmitting, when said transmission source of said access request identified by said transmission source determiner is~~comprises a robot of a robot search engine, transmitting a keyword concerning ~~said a~~ web page source to said robot ~~instead of a web page source requested by said access request;~~

wherein the web page source associated with the access request.

9. (Currently Amended): The robot search engine response system according to claim 8, wherein said transmission source determiner ~~includes~~comprises a user agent

~~register in which, wherein said robot, of said robot search engine, which is launched across said communication network, and a user agent header that said robot adds to said access request are registered in said user agent register as correlating with each other. When, and wherein when the contents of said user agent header added to said access request that is received are registered in said user agent register is registered in said user agent register,~~ said transmission source determiner determines said transmission source of said access request to be said robot of said robot search engine.

10. (Currently Amended): A robot search engine registration method comprising the steps of:

- mechanically accessing a web site via a communication network and obtaining a web page source stored at said web site;
- accepting an access request from a robot of a robot search engine that prepares a web page search list; and
- ~~transmitting to said robot, instead of a web page source requested by said access request,~~ a keyword concerning said web page source.

11. (Currently Amended): The robot search engine registration method according to claim 10, wherein, when the access of said web page source ~~requested by said access request~~ is limited, and when an access by said robot is not permitted, ~~said text data is transmitted instead of said web page source.~~

12. (Currently Amended): A storage medium on which input means of a computer stores a computer-readable program that permits said computer to perform:

- a process for analyzing an access request received by a web server that is provided on a communication network and for determining a transmission source of said access request; and

- a process for, when said transmission source of said access request is comprises a robot of a robot search engine, transmitting a keyword concerning a web page source to said robot ~~instead of said web page source contained in said access request;~~
wherein said web page source is associated with said access request.

13. (Currently Amended): The storage medium according to claim 12, wherein, when the access of said web page source ~~requested by said access request~~ is limited, and when an access by said robot is not permitted, said program transmits ~~said text data instead of said web page source~~.

14. (Currently Amended): A program transmission apparatus comprising:
storage means for storing a computer-readable program that permits said computer to perform
a process for analyzing an access request received by a web server that is provided on a communication network and for determining a transmission source of said access request, and
a process for, when said transmission source of said access request is comprises a robot of a robot search engine, transmitting a keyword concerning a web page source to said robot ~~instead of said web page source contained in said access request~~; and
transmission means for reading said program from said storage means and for transmitting said program;
wherein said web page source is associated with said access request.

15. (Currently Amended): The program transmission apparatus according to claim 14, wherein, when the access of said web page source ~~requested by said access request~~ is limited, and when an access by said robot is not permitted, said program transmits ~~said text data instead of said web page source~~.

16. (New): The system according to claim 1, wherein access to said main information is limited.